



## CCW NEWS

***Mission:** To support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service and to respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.*

### Theme: "In Jesus' Name We Serve"

#### 2024-2026 OFFICERS



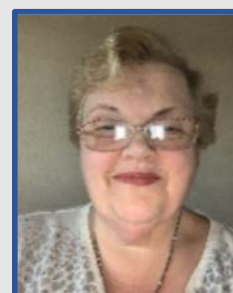
**Rose Mary Bossman**  
President



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Vice President



**Dawna Thomas**  
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#### GENERAL MEETING:

February 25  
1-3 pm

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### ROSARY CONFERENCE CALL

February 13

#### FASHION SHOW:

March 29  
Doors open 10:30

#### BUSY HANDS:

2nd & 4th Friday  
9:30-11:30

#### LENTEN MORNING OF REFLECTION:

March 1  
8:00-12:00

#### **Membership is open to ALL Women**

Meetings are held September thru April on the last Tuesday of the each month from 1:00 to 3:00 pm in the Family Life Center. For more information email the President RoseMary Bossman at [rmb@rnexec.com](mailto:rmb@rnexec.com) or 954-410-5067 (text preferred).

The **St. Vincent DePaul Council of Catholic Women** is an affiliate of the Orlando Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (ODCCW) and the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW). The NCCW is a member of the World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations (WUCWO) and is an affiliate of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).



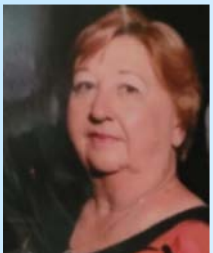
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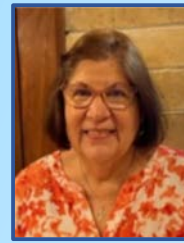
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## 2024-2026 COMMISSION CHAIRS

**STILL NEEDED:  
LEGISLATIVE  
ADVOCACY  
VOLUNTEERS**



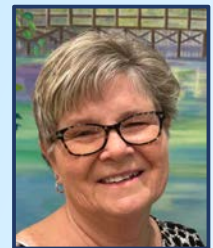
**Parishioners  
learned about CCW  
at STVDP's annual  
Ministry Fair on  
Jan. 26.**



**Barbara DiLeo, Ethel Porpora**  
Leadership Co-Chairs



**Charlene Hamilton, Daria  
O'Brien**  
Spirituality Co-Chairs



**Gerri Rubico, Mary Maus**  
Service Co-Chairs

## SAINT OF THE MONTH



Saint Agatha, a Sicilian woman who had consecrated herself to a life of virginity, was a third century martyr. Her beauty and virtue caught the attention of a Roman official, who desired her as his wife. When she refused his advances, declaring her commitment to God, she was subjected to horrific persecution. Agatha was imprisoned, tortured, and even had her breasts mutilated.

Despite her immense suffering, she remained steadfast in her faith, praying for the strength to endure. According to tradition, her faith sustained her until her death in 251 AD, which occurred amidst an earthquake believed to signal divine intervention. St. Agatha is celebrated as the patron saint of Sicily, breast cancer patients, nurses, and those seeking protection from fire and natural disasters.



## Christmas Merriment

Members provided cookies to children who performed in the Christmas Pageant.



The Kinship Program was a huge success thanks to the generosity of our members! Forty-two people were provided with gifts, including 32 children. Organizer Gerri Rubico (pictured in her "warehouse" garage with Spirituality co-chair Daria O'Brien) estimates that close to \$6000 in gifts were collected!



Members responded to the invitation of STVDP's Filipino Ministry and joined in the celebration of Simbang Gabi.

Following Mass lead by Father Kenny, attendees were treated to a buffet dinner of homemade Filipino dishes!



## CCW HAPPENINGS

Friendship was shared by 46 members at our recent "Welcome" luncheon at Francisco's.





# Fashion Show Raffle Baskets

## A Huge Money Raiser for Our CCW

We need your help in creating or providing a raffle basket for our CCW Fashion Show which will be held on Saturday, March 29, 2025. In addition to creating a themed gift basket, you may also donate a stand-alone item, such as an air fryer. No Gift Cards please. The most popular baskets contain wine, lottery tickets or chocolate!!!



- What to use for your "basket": woven baskets, collapsible bins, fabric or plastic baskets, dishes, mixing bowls, planters, ice buckets, beach bags, cutting boards, wrapped shoeboxes, wooden boxes, etc.
- Each finished basket should be wrapped in clear cellophane or a cellophane gift basket bag, with an attractive (large) bow, but please don't attach the bow. We will be inserting gift cards.
- Please give your finished basket a name, the catchier, the better.
- Finished baskets can be brought to the January or February CCW meeting .

We have a form that you will fill out to record the contents of the basket and approximate value.

**Deadline for raffle baskets is March 8, 2025**

## WALK WITH ONE

**STEP 1: Prayerfully begin to discern whom God is calling you to accompany**

Ask God to help you be aware of His presence, to truly encounter Him, and to open your heart to the person whom Jesus is bringing to mind.



## Please Join Us in Reciting the Rosary

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of each month at 7:00 p.m. join us on a conference call in honor of Our Lady's appearance at Fatima. **The Blessed Virgin Mary asks us to pray the rosary everyday.** It is the most powerful weapon of our times. Everyone is invited.

**Call in starting  
at 6:45 pm:  
848-220-3100  
after prompt  
enter 6181960#**

